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SIEMERING DEAD.

After a Long and Painful Illness, the Veteran German Journalist Passed Away Into Eternity.

A Brief Biography of His Life From His Birth in Germany to His Death.

The LIGHT announces with regret the death of August Siemering, the editor of the Freie Presse, which occurred last evening at his residence on North street. The immediate cause of death was inflammation of the bowels, but for the past 10 years he has been a martyr to the gout.

The deceased, who has led an eventful life, was born in Brandenburg, Berlin, Prussia, on the 8th of February, 1828, and was educated at the University in that place. There he imbibed a revolutionary spirit, and took active part in the revolution of 1848. When the revolution was crushed, Siemering was compelled to leave his native land, and sought a home in the Lone Star State. He arrived at New Braunfels in 1851 and came thence to San Antonio and passed on to Sinterdale, in Kendall county where he gained a livelihood as a school teacher. After he had been there about three years most of the settlers left the place, and Mr. Siemering removed to Fredericksburg, where he was again employed as a teacher. Mr. Siemering was here when the war broke out, and was, what was then termed a strong Union man. At Fredericksburg he raised a company, of which he was Lieutenant, and continued therein until 1863, when he retired. Then he came to San Antonio and opened a private school. In 1864 he established the Freie Presse, of which he was editor until his death, with the exception of the year 1877, when he was in St. Louis as assistant editor of the Anzeiger.

Four months later he took part in the establishment of the Express. In the same year, under the military authorities, he was appointed County Judge of Bexar county and continued in office for two years. He has since occupied a prominent position as a Republican, was chairman of the State Executive committee, and was at one time a candidate for Lieutenant Governor. In the last election his name was on the Independent ticket for the office of Comptroller, but it is only fair to state, that he did not seek that position. Until a few days ago he was in the average state of health, which was delicate, then he was seized with the fatal disease, on which he has suffered intensely. For the past week he has been unconscious and has been unable to receive any one, or to speak a word. Last evening at 6:30 he passed away to solve that mystery of which he had written so much. Mr. Siemering was twice married; by his first wife he leaves no issue. His second wife and six children, one boy and five girls, survive him and mourn his loss.

Mr. Siemering was a writer of singular power, expressing himself fully and forcibly, in elegant German, upon all questions, and even when men did not agree with the arguments they admired the genius which dictated them. His name was widely known and he held the first place among German writers of the South. Several admired works have emanated from his pen, and at the time he died he was engaged upon a history of the State of Texas, which is nearly completed. His death casts a gloom over the city, and even those who differed with him politically and religiously regret that the genius that wielded a powerful pen, and ready tongue, has passed away from scenes in which he has long been a familiar actor.

SAN MARCOS.
The Meyer Case, Business Outlook, Ice Cream Festival, and Beauty of the Springs.

The town is very dull, nothing seems to be moving, no building going up, no business stirring. The District Court is in full session, a good many cases having been disposed of. A Mexican, Gregorio by name, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for attempted murder. The Elliott appeal case comes off to-day. In the case of Ernest Meyers, a former resident of this town, for felony, Mr. Thompson gave evidence of Meyers representing himself as a traveler for his firm, when he had no authority to do so. A representative of Lockwood & Kampmann proved the sending in of a check given by Meyers to Mr. Van Wyke, of San Marcos, on the bank, while at the time he had no money in the bank. Meyers asserted that he was in the employ of Messrs. Reed & Thompson at the time he drew the check, and he thought the bank knew him as such. He was found guilty and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. A charming reunion was held at the dance hall last night, when cake cutting, ice cream and dancing were the features of the evening. The LIGHT reporter and other gentlemen from San Antonio, were well entertained by the fascinating young ladies of San Marcos.

FEDERAL JURORS.

A Full List of Those Summoned for the October Term.

The following is the list of grand and petit jurors summoned to serve at the October term of the Federal Court:

A. H. Cocking, El Paso; John Lytle, Medina county; General J. R. Baylor, Matamoros; George Dullig, San Antonio; J. T. Woodhall, Brackett; B. L. Cronch, Fearsall; H. J. Richards, D'hanis; G. W. Littlefield, Gonzales; T. H. Anderson, San Antonio; Porfirio Benavides, Laredo; John Fogg, Corpus Christi; General A. Zeller, Kendall county; W. K. Ruffin, Eagle Pass; Ed. Noll, Seguin; Emil Radtke, Indianola; S. D. Harper, Waco; Otto Brinkman, Comfort; L. L. Martin, Brackett; O. M. Brown, Bexar; Robert Savage, Nueces county; W. Keary, Fort Davis; A. P. Hines, San Antonio; W. H. Kyle, Victoria; W. B. Baker, Medina County; W. M. Taylor, Brackett; Gustave Langhain, Sinterdale; R. P. Jarmon, Kerrville; J. Ties, Boeris; Bud Chapman, Pecos; F. Vician, Dimmit county; Ed. Williams, Corpus Christi; Fraz Butler, Karnes county; G. T. Stephenson, Wilson county; H. C. Herbig, Castrovilla; J. Pinks, Jr., Bandier; G. B. Robbins, Wagoner; R. A. L. Coffin, Brackett; George J. Wilson, Hondo City; Jack Her, Corpus Christi; H. L. Nelson, Kerr county; George Haly, Haly Settlement; T. C. Applewhite, Bexar county; Otto Dyer, Nueces county; A. Furr, Medina county; V. Weldon, Frio county; M. Felford, Del Rio; A. Downs, Guadalupe county; F. Rehnaz, Comal county; C. G. Broadbent, Kinney county; M. Poor, Bexar county; W. B. Nichols, Uvalde county; E. Green, Jr., Comal county; W. F. Gaulty, Jr., Cory's Creek; R. Freicht, New Fountain; F. G. Newsummer, Pipe Creek; Ed. Hageman, Fearsall; H. Plage, New Braunfels; M. E. Palfium, Uvalde; F. Fierro, Victoria.

VOLKSEEST.

The Executive Committee Meet and Pass Resolutions of Respect to

Judge Siemering.

The Executive committee of the Volkseest met last evening at Schell's hall. Dr. M. Lindner presiding, when the death of Mr. A. Siemering, Chairman of the Freie Presse committee, was reported, whereon Mr. Ed. Braden moved that the meeting do now adjourn and that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the deceased. This resolution was unanimously carried, and the meeting adjourned.

Subsequently the committee met and passed the following resolution:

Whereas, The Executive committee of the Volkseest association having heard with deep regret of the death of August Siemering, Chairman of the Freie Presse committee, at their meeting in Schell's hall on the 20th day of September, 1883;

Resolved, That the meeting do immediately adjourn, and that Messrs. Ed. Braden, C. R. Kuge, C. L. Wagner and Henry Ryder-Taylor as a committee be appointed to draft resolutions of respect, and the said committee, having met, they

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the life and character of the deceased. He was an honest and honorable man, an ardent advocate of the public rights, a vigorous writer and able editor, one whose voice and pen was ever raised for the advancement of public good; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on a page of mourning upon the minutes of the association, and that a copy of the said resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and be furnished to the press for publication.

E. L. WAGNER, Chairman.

C. L. WAGNER, C. R. KUGE, H. RYDER-TAYLOR, Com. mittee.

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congressional raids upon the treasury, a politician who has proposed to the people of the United States to repudiate their honest debts, and so to make their great and solvent country a by-word among the nations of the earth. A Major General, whose most valuable services were as Provost Marshal, and who was never a leader of men, and a soldier, whose successes were those of the soldier and not of the strategist." His references to Butler's political and military record and "national notoriety" were loudly applauded by delegates. He was given three cheers when he concluded.

WASHINGTON, September 19.—The following self-explanatory letter was sent from the Postoffice department to-day:

B. Merchant, Postmaster, New Orleans. Sir: Since you were instructed to deliver no registered letters reaching your office addressed to M. A. Dauphin, and to redeem no money orders payable to him, he has directed, by advertisement inserted in certain newspapers, that all registered letters intended for him and concerning the Louisiana State lottery be addressed to the New Orleans National bank at New Orleans, and that all money orders sent to your office for his benefit and concerning the business of the said lottery be made payable to said bank. I am in possession of trustworthy information that this bank has and is still receiving, through your office, registered letters and money orders for the purpose of M. A. Dauphin in pursuance to his published directions. This is a defiant scheme on the part of M. A. Dauphin and the New Orleans National bank to evade the orders, which have been addressed to you by the Postmaster General in pursuance of the status of the United States intended to protect the mails and public against a business which is vicious and immoral, and which in the main preys upon the ignorant and credulous. This bank cannot be permitted to stand in the shoes of M. A. Dauphin, and thus enable him to accomplish by indirection what he is not allowed to do directly. Hereafter, therefore, you will deliver to the New Orleans National bank no registered letters, nor redeem any money orders payable to it, but deal with the same as directed by the department on November 13, 1879. This order will be renewed whenever the bank gives satisfactory evidence that it has abandoned the above scheme.

"Very Respectfully," W. O. GREENMAN, Postmaster General.

THE RAILROAD COMMITTEE.

They Failed to Transact Business Yesterday Because There Was No Quorum.

A called meeting of the railroad promoters was to have been held yesterday, but only Messrs. T. C. Frost, chairman, J. H. French, H. B. Adams and A. B. Frank attended. There being no quorum, a legitimate meeting could not be held.

A conversation then ensued in which Mr. Frost said that he had a talk with Colonel Brackenridge regarding the gulf scheme, and found that he thought the scheme was not practical for the simple reason that vessels of moderate tonnage could not be brought to Annapolis, as at the present time there was only six feet of water, but if Congress would expend \$1,500,000 Annapolis could be made superior to Galveston. When this was done, he would support the scheme, but till then no good could come of the proposed railroad. In this opinion the committee appeared to concur.

Major H. B. Adams urged a road to Fredericksburg in preference to the gulf scheme, believing it to be better for the commercial interests of the city. This idea was discussed considerably, but no definite conclusion arrived at.

In respect to the gulf scheme Mayor French declared that he believed John Hancock and Tom Ochiltree would work hard to secure deep water for the coast during the next congressional session.

THE HERFF-HARTFORD AFFAIR.

Mr. Hartford Hears Mr. Charles Herff and Wants to Get Satisfaction.

Mr. Charles Herff having published a card in the Express calling Mr. George Hartford a professional bully, and reflecting upon his character, Mr. Hartford sought Mr. Herff and meeting him in front of Richter's store, on Commerce street, proceeded to take satisfaction, and if friends had not intervened, it might have resulted seriously. Mr. Hartford was subsequently arrested for beating and striking Mr. Herff.

Mr. Charles Herff called at the LIGHT office this morning and denied that he struck Mr. Hartford with a bag of glass or brass knuckles, but he admits striking him with a sock. He thinks that the whole thing is the result of a blackmailing scheme.

The cases against Messrs. Herff and Hartford for the first fight are set for Saturday next in the Recorder's court.

A Brutal Husband.

"Did Mrs. Tucker take refuge in your house?" asked the Recorder of Mr. Painter.

"She did," replied the gentleman, "and, moreover, her husband is in the habit of ill-treating her. Last night she ran over to my house and hid in the bath room. He followed her over and I found him on my back gallery. I told him I would give him three minutes to get off my premises or take the chances of being shot. He left." Tucker was fined \$5 and put under a \$100 peace bond for six months.

The Lost is Found.

Helen Brown, the young lady mentioned as missing from Castrovilla, has been found in a lazing in this city. Her history is the old story. A few years ago she was left an orphan and placed in charge of the sisters at the Castrovilla convent. She left the convent and was employed at a hotel in the place. Three months ago she became acquainted with a drummer who betrayed her, enticed her to San Antonio and then deserted her. It is said that this incident is the foundation of the story of the alleged elopement of a nun from Castrovilla, but she, of course, never took vows as a nun.